MR. S. GNANA JOSHUA (*Nominated*) : Can that order be placed on the table ?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : It is not contained in one order. It is spread over several orders. Some confidential instructions have been issued to the heads of departments and these orders cannot be placed on the table.

Appointments in the Account Office.

110. **MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR** (*Shertallai*) : Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a list of acting appointments made in the Account Office since Chingam 1096, and a list of the men who have been confirmed and made *sub pro tem.* since then ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : The list* required by the member is placed on the table.

Waiting Accommodation for Clients and Witnesses attending Law Courts.

111. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Are the Government aware of the hardship experienced by clients and witnesses in Law Courts for want of proper arrangements for their accommodation, and, if not, will they be pleased to enquire into the matter and do the needful ?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : The matter will be referred to the High Court.

Cultivation of Tobacco in Travancore.

112. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : With reference to their answer to Question No. 59 (*c*) given on the 2nd November 1923, *re* tobacco cultivation in Travancore, will the Government be pleased to state whether the investigation is over and whether there is any place in Travancore suitable for the cultivation of tobacco ?

MR. N. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government on other duty*) : The matter is still under correspondence with the Director of Agriculture and with the Excise Commissioner. As experiments have not as yet been made, Government are not in a position to say whether any part of Travancore is suited for tobacco cultivation.

Communal Representation in the Judicial Department.

113. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any system of rotation is followed in the Judicial Department in realising adequate representation of various communities n the matter of appointment of Munsiffs, Judges, etc. ;

(*b*) if so, what it is ;

* *Vide* Appendix I—pages 490 and 491.

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(*c*) whether the Vellalas come in that system as a separate community; and

(*d*) whether, owing to such non-inclusion, the Government are aware that some communities have failed to secure due representation?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) In the matter of recruitment of Judges and Munsiffs, regard is had to the interests and efficiency of the service. In making recruitments for Munsiffships from the bar, the High Court see that the several communities are properly represented whenever possible.

(*c*) The Vellalas come under "Other caste Hindus."

(*d*) No community has failed to secure due representation.

Establishment of a Munsiff's Court at Punalur.

114. **MR. S. SUBRAHMANYA KARAYALAR** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to establish a Munsiff's Court at Punalur instead of opening an Additional Munsiff's Court at Kottarakara, as proposed?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The High Court are not at present for establishing a Munsiff's Court at Punalur and Government accept that view.

House-breaking in Shencotta Town.

115. **MR. S. SUBRAHMANYA KARAYALAR** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): Are the Government aware of the fact that there were several cases of house-breaking in the Shencotta town during the closing months of 1100? Will they be pleased to enquire why none of them has been detected?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Five cases of burglary were reported at the Shencotta Police Station during the year 1100. Of these, one was detected, one was found to be false and three remain undetected.

Separate Magistrate and Munsiff for Shencotta Taluk.

116. **MR. S. SUBRAHMANYA KARAYALAR** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): In view of the fact that, when one officer exercises both magisterial and civil functions, there are chances of people suffering hardship, will the Government be pleased to appoint a separate Magistrate and a Munsiff for Shencotta taluk?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Government are not aware that any hardship is caused to the people by one and the same officer exercising both Civil and Criminal functions.

Recruitment of Munsiffs.

117. **MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing by castes the number of Munsiffs recruited from (1) the High Court Bar; (2) the District Court Bar; and (3) the clerical staff, during the last five years?

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